MINUTES OF: TOWN OF SEEKONK FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING March 13, 2012

PRESENT:

Chairperson: Karen Perkins

Robert Richardson Edith Krekorian Myrna Elderkin Michael Brady

Director of Finance: Bruce Alexander Acting Library Director Peter Fuller Michael Durkay, Library Trustee

Human Service Director Bernadette Huck Christine Allen, Human Service Council Beverly Della Grotta, Human Service Council

Ms. Perkins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Reserve Fund Advisory/Reserve Fund Transfer

Committee reviewed a Reserve Fund Advisory from the Town Clerk for election expense the result of increase in hours of town election, may need \$2,000.

Committee reviewed a Reserve Fund Transfer from the Fire Department; Chief Jack requests \$20,000 for fire apparatus repairs for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

Moved approval, Ms. Krekorian, second Ms. Elderkin, (4-0)

FY 2013 Budget – Library

Acting Library Director Peter Fuller reviewed the Board of Library Trustees budget for the Seekonk Public Library. Budget is a level funded and level service budget. Mr. Fuller reminds the committee that this budget will retain the certification by the Commonwealth, needed for grants interlibrary lending and support. Mr. Fuller entertained questions from the committee. Technology program was discussed in detail. Mr. Fuller discussed the grant program and current offerings. Personnel staffing was discussed.

FY 2013 Budget - Human Services

Bernadette Huck explained the Human Service budget. Service load was explained. Type of client serviced was explained. The service provided by Human Services was detailed. Discussion shifted to telephones. Additions to the budget by the Town Administrator were explained. Mr. Richardson asked caseload questions. Discussion of homeless school students was held.

FY 2013 Budget – Other Town Department

Mr. Alexander reviewed the smaller town departments with the committee. Committee members asked questions and discussion followed. Assessors, Animal Control and Board of Health budgets involved extensive discussion. Veterans Services budget was discussed in depth because of increase. Debt service was explained. Discussion on surplus town buildings took place.

Mr. Alexander reviewed the revenue projections for FY 2013 with the committee. This information was provided to Board of Selectmen on March 7, 2012.

Future Meetings April 17, 2012 6:30 PM @ Meeting Room Request Schools, Animal Control and Communications are present.

Moved adjourn at 9:00 p.m., Ms. Krekorian, second Mr. Brady (5-0)

Respectfully submitted,

David Francis, Clerk